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We will present our readers port attack of Charles Hodge, D.D., publish- nation! ed in the Biblical Repertory for Jan., Every reason led the to wish to a controversy of any kind with Princeton,

extracts from this pamphlet:

public, the recommendation for the call | complish! of a convention was afterwards added; the paper itself simply asking, in that respect, the *public attention*, of all the and Testimony; and so entirely indiffer-

the recomendation objected to by Dr. H. was afterwards so modified and softened as to meet precisely what we understood to be his difficulty. The original paper to be his difficulty as makes such an extraordinary prowill show, that a general adhesion, a relation to the general facts of the case, common assent, a signing, by all sound men was emphatically recommended; which according to Dr. H.'s present what is asserted in relation to myself. views, converts our testimony into a test; And although I will not enter into the and authorizes him and all others, as general subject, the reader will gather mit to it, and induces him to insinuate see what caution is to be used in reading so many harsh things, about our want of the whole paper extracted from. "No modesty, &c. &c. I can only say, that at one sixth of the ministers in a Church, the time the paper was formally corrected by him, he made no objection whatever to this feature of it; although the in question, so far as is yet known, only very object of my visit was to ask his advice, get his valuable aid, and put every thing in a form to meet his perfect This was published in January last; and approbation. And I most solemnly aver, that every man that reads—except the wrise far from his making any general objections ter quoted above, knows that five, if not such as he has since iterated and resterated, I left | six Synods had lent it (the Act and Teshim, confidently hoping that he would favour; if not actually sign the Act and Testimony. Indeed, Dr. H. has, I venture to say, in his hands written evidences, that some months after the time spoken of here, I felt myself authorized to express to him sursurs that were the view the view of the survey of the system of the view of prise, that even the silent influence of from acting? The Synod of Illinois, Princeton should be allowed to operate which I believe is the only one that has against us: to which the printed attack in the Repertory, was the first reply! I aver, moreover, that I still consider myself as having had good grounds for this self as having had good grounds for this ven, but planted in a great degree with hope. For the testimony being fixed to Dr. direct reference to the spread of its new-family, the recommendation being altered as he was understood to desire it; no objection be-location be-location be-location be-location be-location and the spread of its new-family family for the spread of its new-family family fam ing made by him to the detail; no hint of opposition to the general plan and spirit of the re-sition to the general plan and spirit of the remainder of the article being dropped; consider-ing the previous course of the Repertory and supposed entitled to credit, that the surthe Professors in the Seminary at Princeton; prising absurdities and mistakes, which remembering the alarming state of the crisis, which he has insisted on, with so much parade, if it never existed before, our conduct was about really were veritable matters of fact. to produce, bearing in mind who they were that But everybody in the bounds of both were about to do this thing; and in view of the | those Synods know, that the decided ma somewhat particular relations which existed be- jority of each, was ready to have voted tween Dr. H. and myself, I am bound to say, the Act and Testimony, totidem verbis, that I still consider myself as having been fully and that they took a different course, au horized to expect that he would favor, if not actually sign the Act and Testimony. In view tial "sanction" to that paper, for the of Dr. Hodge's more recent conduct, I will not say, that he really felt them as I then supposed he did. I will not say, that he intended to make such impressions on my mind, as he did make. But I will say that if our situations had been used to the real state of the opinions and wishes of those who have signed the Act and Testimony, it is quite the say that if our situations had been used to the real state of the opinions and wishes of those who have signed the Act and Testimony, it is quite that the same of the opinions and wishes of those who have signed the Act and Testimony.

under such a form of expression as would to some matters involved in the second be to a certain extent, a personal desig-

Every reason led me to wish to avoid 1835, upon the Act and Testimony." and every one of its Professors. I therefore expressly stated to Dr. H. that my article was not, in any sense, to be taken our readers hear both sides, as to illustrate how history repeats itself, and as trate how history repeats itself, and as he says in his second number, to excuse explanatory of Dr. Hodge's recent at- his renewed pursuit of me, he was in full tack upon the Declaration and Testimo-ny,—we make room for like extensive his first attack, and Mr. Engles' review tracts from this pamphlet:
"Whatever any one may consider of it, and my defence—all together, will see that I faithfully acted out my purhimself at liberty to say or insinuate to the contrary, all the original signers of the Act and Testimony, and many others, who they said the result of the contrary and many others. ers, who then said they were its friends, know that constraint was laid upon me to take what part I did in the preparation of that paper. And this is perfectly well known to Dr. Hodge. I had also allowed myself to suppose that he was my friend. I therefore called on him in company with a mutual friend.

The same reason that would induce you to pass by a Methodist the right of appeal to Presbytery, Synod, and many church, and the present observed to see it when it comes to pass; but we do induce you to pass by a Methodist the right of appeal to Presbytery, Synod, and more induce you to pass by a Methodist the right of appeal to Presbytery, Synod, and more induce you to pass by a Methodist the right of appeal to Presbytery, Synod, and more induce you to pass by a Methodist the right of appeal to Presbytery, Synod, and more that would induce you to pass by a Methodist the right of appeal to Presbytery, Synod, and more than the right of appeal to Presbytery, Synod, and more than the right of appeal to Presbytery, Synod, and more than the right of appeal to Presbytery, Synod, and more than the right of appeal to Presbytery, Synod, and the right of appeal to Presbytery, Synod, and more than the right of appeal to Presbytery, Synod, and more than the right of appeal to Presbytery, Synod, and the right of appeal to Presbytery, Synod, and more than the right of appeal to Presbytery, Synod, and the right of appeal to Presbytery, Synod him in company with a mutual friend, at his lodgings in Philadelphia, where at his lodgings in Philadelphia, where he then happened to be, on the very day that the draft of the Act and Testimony was written, and laid the paper before him. We met at his lodgings, a third person; and a general explanation was made of the whole case, embracing a detail as to the origin of the statements of error, &c., and a free conversation held

ministers, elders, and church courts. As already stated, in my public defence, Dr. Hodge objected to the recommendation in the original paper, which proposed to in the original paper, which proposed to consider elective affinity Presbyteries, and Synods, as de facto, out of our church. In this point also his wishes were con-In this point also his wishes were consulted; and the gentlemen whom I met as a committee, [Dr. Green, Dr. Magraw and others,) the same afternoon, at the Rev. Mr. Engles' church, will testify, I have no doubt, that I told them what is

believes, to resent rather than sub- enough from the following statement, to

I will say, that if our situations had been reversed, and I had acted, as he did, I should certainly have intended to create That I or any signer ever entertained, in his mind the very impressions which his conduct created in mine.

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Drs. Breckinridge and Hodge as antagonists thirty-three years ago.

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We h We have published in our columns very extensive extracts from Dr. Hodge ting expressions, to show, that my defence of the Act and Testimony was gragainst the "Act and Testimony" in tuitous, and not personally called for.

> week with the concluding observations an Old School man support a New School of the pamphlet entire.

For the Free Christian Commonwealth The Morality of Action.

What commission have men that authorizes them to dally with convictions of truth? The delays of wisdom, and office within her sphere. When she cludes expediency, as the sacrifice of The mightiest instrumental power in the words. God to eject error and sin, and to sancti-

ed men, and the voice of reason, concur ton. Says the writer:

er separation.

ing churches that do not hold your ten- our church. you sacrifice to unworthy motive, conscispeaks, we hear the voice of God; and ding to that system, and in that way, by his peers. He must be tried at home we know that His commandment exwhich is more nearly conformed to His __not a thousand miles away. He must Kentucky, that those who adhere to us they hold to different policies in differfools. When, therefore, we ascertain but duty. The same reason that would tors, time and place, witnesses. He has of spinal vigor. We shall be glad to might accrue in catering to public opin-

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fy the soul, was not intended to be a No. IV. of the "Minority Man's" term without significance, an authority essays on the last Assembly, leaves lit- all these indispensable provisions retail as to the origin of the statements of error, &c., and a free conversation held amongst the four persons present, (three of whom have never signed the Act and do occupy high official stations, two of them at Princeton, and the third in our church) as to the extent to which the proposed testimony should go: after which itwas, that I agreed to confine the testimony to the Petagian heresy, as being the worst, and most extensive, as well as the one most likely to unite all sound men against. As already known to the public, the recommendation for the call not. Christ likens those who know the of the church fully as largely as Princecommandments, and fail to obey them, | ton, should have the grace given him to | anything approximating to the whole to the house built upon the insufficient stand forth for Christian freedom, Chris. truth. These Declaration and Testimofoundation. He warns those who know tian common sense, and Christian truth, ny men are not simply refused a trial, the Master's will and fail to do it, of even under the great disadvantage of the many stripes. The voice of inspir- being deserted in the crisis by Prince- plead at the bar of a court, to which the

> this defection occurred, the sternest ceeding necessary—nor is it expedient. one of the parties implicated "ought, as cates it, and it speaks to thousands in be held in eternal disgrace that he ever threatenings, and at times, the most dire- It is better for the Assembly, better for the strongest reason for believful punishment came from Heaven. God the Church, and better for all the inter- ing, to have been suspended from the requires not merely a knowledge of his revealed will, but the discharge of duty ests in any way concerned in this case, that justice should be secured and adutes, p. 12.) in other words, they prorevealed will, but the discharge of duty ministered in the ordinary way, and by consequent upon it. The criterion of the ordinary methods." These italies, him over for trial! What would the consequent upon it. The criterion of the ordinary methods." These italies, the great last day is, not doctrine alone, from the original (vide Minutes Gen. lawyers, who voted with the majority but, action based upon, and presuppo- Assembly, p. 61,) give the grave reflec- at St. Louis, think, not of a Grand Jury, In every age of the church, not only set forth as a measure of signal clem- another court of co-ordinate jurisdiction, is some doctrine prominently brought ency, in full accord with the "ordinary | should write upon the indictment, "We forward to challenge thorough controver- methods" of our church, is without a are of the opinion that this man ought to error, and obtain a definite statement in of the General Assembly in 1789 to the dence have we come in the Presbyteterms, that it may be chrystalized for style of capital punishment, no one will all time; but corresponding with the pretend that it was ever heard of before conflict of divine doctrine, and the move- in our church, or in any other church, ment of formal theology, men are re- or in any respectable civil legislaturequired in God's providence to sunder, at times, ecclesiastical ties—ties which let it suffice that this is the first Assembind them not to the church—but to a bly to set up the dangerous prerogative tucky men and affairs, which we lay speech, and says of the action of 1865, ly considerations, as you charge. particular external organization of it. of citing individuals to its bar (or to the before our readers just as we find it. Often the exigencies of the case demand | bar of its successor) for trial. That that they call into being, not, indeed, The Assembly, according to "Reason another church, but another external No. 3," is to "consider and adjudicate by the cry of "peace! peace!" we comiss little hope of harmony in the church, that there were no truer friends of civil organization. In 1837, it became ne- the case:" and, in the report of the mend this article, with the inquiry-In nay, there is imminent danger of dam- and religious liberty than the Catholies cessary to divide the Presbyterian committee, the "citation" of these men which Synod are they likely to find most aging reaction, if not repeal. Church in the United States, into two separate organic bodies—each a Church.
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> In 1843, the Church of Sections was beyond the Assembly of '37. Not to In 1843, the Church of Scotland was lay the least stress upon the fact that disrupted, and the Free and Established | the "citation" scheme which was initia-Churches became distinct bodies. In ted on a Friday was abandoned the fol- church, whose hearts are on the fence action of 1865 brought into harmony any and every outrage committed on 1861, the General Assembly at Philadel- lowing Tuesday, and so came to nothing, between us and the South, but who with our standards; now, having failed phia caused and occasioned the division that Assembly proposed to cite only cling to us, while the fence is being at St. Louis, they insist that it shall be other denominations, the same as if of the Old School Presbyterians into two separate Churches. The Assembly
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of 1866, which convened after the close other, did they claim the authority to tion and Testimony party, in charging jority of "four to one," only two papers as you uphold, against a mighty power of the war, by the re-affirmation of error cite individuals before them for trial. I upon the Assembly that its action is out of seven, conducted by men in our in ecclesiology; and by the new doctrine, have carefully examined the records of unconstitutional, unscriptural and uncharacter of a church, stand up squarely for our dein the new interpretation of the constitution, in the case of the Louisville Presthe only case remotely approximating dead letter. They promise all other bytery, and Declaration and Testimony, to it being one in which an heretical deadletter theorists, that these acts never has inaugurated the necessity for anoth- creed was, after protracted litigation can or will be carried out. They declare Dr. R. J. Breckinridge thus defines continue to do so. Yours truly, er separation.

With its author, referred by Synod to that we do not intend to carry them the Church Visible: "The Church Visible the Assembly, and the Assembly reout, thus charging us with deceit, as ble of Christ is the kingdom of God in which the cuthor to recent his sention." tion is put to each man—What is duty?

What is duty?

The Call for Ministers Repeated.—The presbytery of Arkansas state in their ments. No such case was adduced at men there is no hope of harmony and this world, created through the community of the parative, that a majority of the We are no more at liberty to act according to the director to ding to the dictates of caprice, or comfort ed in the pages of the Repertory. If son that accuses his mother of injustice through principles inherent in human churches under their care are without through principles inherent in human churches under their care are without through principles inherent in human churches under their care are without through principles inherent in human churches under their care are without through principles inherent in human churches under their care are without through principles inherent in human churches under their care are without churches under their care are without through principles inherent in human churches under their care are without churches under the churches und or a selfish or inert desire for peace, or Dr. Baird had discovered one, he would and deception, but claims to kiss her nature and common to other societies, So far as heard from, there seems to exist personal friendships, or ancient church connections, or avarice, in regard to our action, than in regard to our belief. On the connections of the action, than in regard to our belief. On such occasions we must take a position.

Assembly has either censured Synods do much for her comfort or her honor.

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Our Kentucky Union men, like the adherents to our church in that State, we must take a position. publicly, on the floor of the Synod of Philadelphia, sneered at, and even threatened, as the author of the paper so triumphantly beaten down, by the friend of the author, and the corrector of the paper itself. I knew moreover, on the most veracious authority, that I had been incredulously and openly implicated as the author, and the justrument.

The call for laborers in these destitute contend against. There is our ground. Whoever will, let him attack it; who-ever can, let him tate up its deep foundations! We once had hope that Dr. Hodge would stand by our side; all we most veracious authority, that I had been incredulously and openly implicated as the author, and the justrument.

The call for laborers in these destitute contend against. There is our ground. Whoever will, let him attack it; who-ever can, let him tate up its deep foundations! We do act a part, consciously or unwittents they are the only men who at this power of are against the party that moves. You must against the party that moves. You must go with the Old or New School. You been incredulously and openly implicated as the author, and the justrument was simply ask for candour church of the evils we contend against. There is our ground. Whoever will, let him attack it; who-ever can, let him tate at price them to do this and that. But our ordered them to our church in that State, or ordered them to our church in that State, or ordered them to our church in that State, who can administence of are and on the province of an extensive or ordered them to our church in that State, or ordered them to our church in that State, who can the province of an extensive or ordered them to our church in that State, or ordered them to our church in that State, who can the province of an extensive or ordered them to our church in that State, or ordered them to our church in that State, who can the province or ordered them to our church in that state in the claim that they are the only men that they are the only men that they are the only men that they are the only

fers from you in doctrine, on the great of the Carolinas, while displaying a lauquestion of the day, when you can or- dable zeal for the purity of the church, cular one, and that they only can judge up all expectation of ever being on the ganize, or, at least, attend churches, and violated the Constitution in claiming a what is best to save the church in their of this definition with the Deliverance connect yourself with an organization, right to try Mr. Davis, "when there was bounds, and to reclaim ministers and of 1862, or with the present attitude of which holds opinions you approve? Will no reference nor appeal in his case before churches who have gone into the South-the venerable author? We fear it is an old School man supports New School them." So utterly baseless is the as-Church? Or a Free Church man, an Estab- Louis was in keeping with the "ordinary profess to be at work for our church lished Church? By supporting and attend- methods" of administering justice in we respectfully urge that they walk in

> You are bound to worship God, accor- personal rights of all embraced in our pedient. communion. No man can be tried except word. This is not a matter of choice, have full notice as to charges, prosecu- will experience and exhibit an increase ent places, to receive the benefits that of an Assembly which sought to annul

Even this is not the whole truth, nor according to the forms of the Constitution. They are not simply required to Constitution has denied all original juand others,) the same afternoon, at the Rev. Mr. Engles' church, will testify, I cannot doubt, that I told them what is stated above. It is aborter, as I then told those last named gentlemen, and as I presume, the aid of the manageript put in which by his own admission, there were a thousand reasons why, his own admission, there were a thousand reasons why, if he must write, he should not so write and letters now found understite to the proof. There were a thousand reasons why, if he must write, he should not so write of me, and down in part from Dr Miller's letters then rock now found understite he of or wrors," in the Act and Testimony. They will further testify, I cannot doubt, that the recomendation objected to by Dr. H. was afterwards so modified and softened as to meet precisely what we understood. rian Church.

The Presbyter's last disquisition on Drs. Humphrey and Smith. The sort of peace the New Synod is likely to bring

The Presbyter of October 31st, has

have been seduced off from the Synod in cases where they are quietly ignorpeace—standing off from—or adhering Last year, the controversy with the out the Freeman's Journal, a Catholic to the Assembly?

THE DEAD LETTER THEORY.

sumption, that this procedure at St. in the way of their success. But as they the light of the spirit and action of the ets, you do all in your power to sustain It well behooves our ministers and church. When they canvass between the error in the church you attend; and people to consider whether they are the Southern people and our church, let prepared to sanction these encroach- them not seem to make stump speeches, ments upon the Constitution. Every urging the people to choose the least of in saying "they did not hesitate to entious convictions respecting the dif- page of our Book of Discipline reveals two evils, but let them defend the posi- adopt such measures, in any case, as the providence of prudence, have no ferences between truth and falsehood. the jealous care of its framers for the tion of our Assembly as lawful and ex- would secure the interests of the Church We had expected, now that the line

guilt, remain a barren entity—unfruitful as the rods of the rejected tribes.

Thus you will testify to the guards the Constitution has thrown guards the form of sound guards guar around the humblest individuals in the contest before the churches by "evangel- It is true some individuals of the church. Does any man amongst us feel ists" (?) by whom the merits of the two Catholic clergy and hierarchy were in universe, having force in the hand of A Damaging Critique upon the Gurley that these ramparts are too many, or too Synods are to be discussed, and the favor of a war rather than see the Union strong? What, then, must be thought people are to be aided in finding out divided; but the greater part of them, their elective affinities. Until there shall be a segregation in every congregation, we expect the "dead letter" opposed to the war, but neither ever plank to remain in the platform of the insisted that the church or clergymen Kentucky middle men, and in all prob- should take sides in political affairs, or abilty, much longer.—After having filled the Western Presbyterian with such speeches as those of Drs. Humphry and Smith, and having widely circulated it lous, (one of them shinning a flag-staff directs. Our knowledge must lead to action.

Smith, and having widely circulated it among the churches in Kentucky, the tue to God, that when Princeton has so tue to God, that when Princeton has so tue to God, that when Princeton has so to God, that when Prince feel bound to go to the next Assembly, dral in Philadelphia, - and Archbishop the middle men in Kentucky can get on Hughes delivered a speech, instead of to the same platform with R. J. Breek- preaching a sermon, in the Cathedral inridge, Stanton, Cooper. M'Millan, at New York, -in which he urged a Morrison, Braddock, and others, men draft, because the rich manufacturers whom they have helped to make uncom- were closing their shops, and thus forfortable among them, they need not ask for a Benjamin's portion of missionary cing poor men into the army, who did funds to propagate the "dead letter" not wish to go, by refusing them emevangel; they must not ask the friends ployment elsewhere, and thus saving of the position of our church to give themselves from going to war. Though them special aid for a Kentucky paper, the Archbishop did this from the best to do a work for the freedmen, and in reclaiming those who have wandered of motives we have heard both priests Southward, which only Kentucky mid- and laymen denounce it, and never one special patronage for their College in believe that had he enforced it against will be aiding them to sow tares among communicated; though that chu

> To the people in our churches who are not unlikely to continue so, unless would insert this in your columns, for ed."-Under such teaching as this there the purpose of showing your readers

> had to be carried on with the same op paper, as the ablest, boldest and most opposers of the action of the Assembly position on the part of the press of our consistent defender of religious liberty We have a class of men in our church. Then the Editors wanted the in the land, which at all times denounced

Theory vs. Practice.

most veracious authority, that I had been incredulously and openly implicated as the author, and the instrument disparaged on that account, immore Prespecial friend of the gentlemen at Princeton, and especially, in the Second (Synodical) Presbytery of Philadelphia.

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It is therefore in forgetfulness of his own past conduct and in ignorance of the last conduct and in ignorance of its own end, is exclusively sembly of 1866, or against it. If against it, is as if a man should put off eating by his session or Presbytery.

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(Knowl: of God, Subj. Con. page 413.) Can anybody reconcile the principles impossible problem.

For the Free Christian Commo The Catholic Church and the War.

SEYMOUR, IND., Oct. 28, 1866. MR. EDITOR: Do you not do the Catholic Church and Catholics a wrong in that particular locality?" I think of division is run between the parties in you do, as it is a virtual charge that

As for Gen. Rosecrans' "order," I these claims, we cannot forget that we his own church he would have been ex-

er of the press cannot fail to see that, declaration as was contained in that under such tuition, this doctrine will spread and do mischief. In the Synod of Northern Indiana, when a resolution true man, he would have resigned before in opposition to this theory was before he would ever have sanctioned such a the body, several brethren of the Pres- tyrannical and outrageous military usurbytery of Lake opposed it. Brother pation, which was a direct blow at the fact that what is here so complacently set forth as a measure of signal elemency, in full accord with the "ordinary" but of a criminal court, which, in remitting a cause to its next term, or to another court of co-ordinate jurisdiction, should write upon the indictment. "We controversy between Dr. Monfort, of the erty. I never could shake hands with Presbyter, and Dr. Smith, of Baltimore, him, or treat him as a gentleman, until both good brethren .- Why shall we he has atoned for that outrage on the sy, the crucible of truth, the opposing solitary precedent from the organization take part in their disputes?" We replied, that opposing the proposed resolution is taking part most emphatically. It is a controversy between Dr. Smith | the same way. But though individuals and others on one part, and the General have erred, the church and great body Assembly on the other. We are only of her members adhered to the cause of one of a thousand advocating the wisdom civil liberty, and the rights of the and sincerity of our highest Church Court. The Philadelphia Presbyteri church and humanity, being guided by the following very plain talk about Ken- an gives Dr. Smith great credit for his principle, and not influenced by world-

> "Vexatious orders these have been, and I would be glad, Mr. Editor, if you of this country; and I would also point

have always endeavored to extend your circulation among Protestants, and will

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The treacherous devices of Dead Letter-

ism revived. If we had not become hardened against any excitement from surprise at prepos-"dead letters" upon the statute book in tions that they cannot seduce. a miserable sham of communion between to the spirit of a sound mind. a feeble faction in the congregation, and a General Assembly afar off about which Retaliating by his unforunate facility in saying Harsh Things. most of them know little and care less.

The men who are trying to seduce the nine-tenths of the Presbyterian people of the Border States into wearing the yoke of the General Assembly, by pretending that the nine-tenths who stand by their Synod are leaving the Presbyterian Church, and that the little faction of one-tenth whom they have deceived and cajoled is the Presbyterian Church in Kentucky, are guilty of a fraud upon the people, and guilty, we verily believe, of great sin against God and His Church. They are pretending under treacherous homilies against division, to keep the Church together under the General Assembly upon a platform which no one better than themselves can know is wholly treacherous and unsupported by facts. For it is the solemn declaration of the men who have enacted the orders, which these men know the Presbyterians of Kentucky Mr. Lincoln. Says the writer: cannot submit to, that they are to be living orders, not "dead letters," and executing sentences founded upon them, plainly evince their own hypocrisy in pronouncing them dead letters.

And besides-what is the harmony g them to stand fast by the de- the land, and sembly, and to stand out as out of it. ir Synod! Every intelligent peculiar. Assembly will no more make a truce about his large hash things go unrebuked and even sought to "sop with the "dead letter" platform of Drs. about his brethren. they now pretend to be in conflict.

day aremarkably significant article from against Elijah, or of the Church unthe Presbyter, which we specially com- der the lead of Drs. Annas, Caiphas, mend to the consideration of all who Herod & Co. toward John Baptist and have been listening to the syren song of Jesus. dead-letterism. Such will perceive that For while indeed "this minister," conthe men who have a right to speak for scious of a thousand sins and errors the majority of four-to-one in the As- would shudder at the thought of classembly justly regard this platform of sing himself, as to character, with Eli-Drs. Smith and Humphrey as even more jah, John Baptist and Jesus, it is noinsulting to the Assembly than the torious that neither in the ancient nor Treasury, and a beginning has been made mick gets for his generous consecration lying and swearing all the bad passions latter proclaims the Assembly lawless the witnesses enter at all, as an element, supplies for missionaries' families. and tyrannical; but Drs. Humphrey and into the causes of the prevalent feeling Smith proclaim the Assembly insincere against them. and hypocritical—which true men will It is a humiliating thought to one ingaid should address Rev. Stuart Robregard as by far the more insulting who has spent twenty-odd years of very inson, Corresponding Secretary, accomcharge. Nor have we a doubt, that to- active service in exposition and defence panying the request with the testimo- brethren the ready and very certain wretches as Conover, Merrit, Montgom- To the fact that he has had principles to those who, eager to become the execuday "the majority of four-to-one" enter- of Old School Presbyterianism—never- nial of a Presbytery's committee of mis- remedy within their reach for this virus ery, Hyams, Snevel &c., whose prepostain more respect for Messrs. Wilson theless it is the sad fact—that in the sions, or of three neighboring ministers, of McCormickism, which is proving so terous lies against time and space and and Robinson than for Drs. Humphrey popular phrase "the abuse of one" by in favor of the minister for whose sup. fatal to the church there. As our excel- circumstance and possibility itself, left has in that point stood forth in singular at Henderson, severing it in twain-Smith & Co. They fear the one only as the Assembly "is no slander" any lon- port the funds are to be appropriated. lent and generous friend McCormick is their employers without shadow of apolmen fear a small but open and deter- ger; and that the anathemas of such an When Missionaries desire supplies still in the land of the living to act for ogy for pretending to believe them. like conduct of some of his editorial why if it was consistent with his obligamined adversary in the field against Assembly can no longer hurt any true for their families it would be well to ac- himself in the matter, and would, we And all this to excite the passion for them, they fear the other as a treacher- man. Since the supreme court of the company the request with a description doubt not, readily relieve his brethren blood and suppress the yearnings of ous foe concealed within the fortress. Church has, as in certain acts of 1865, of the persons to be provided for and of such an evil-why do not these suf- men of all sections for peace! Verily They are filled with indignation at the officially affirmed as the ground of its an enumeration of the things particu- fering Presbyterians of Chicago, give "that prayer was responded to in a most bold and murderous blows of the one action certain partizan falsehoods, un- larly needed. In this way much un- him back his hundred thousand dollars, remarkable manner!" But chiefly in against the decrees of the Assembly; worthy of a respectable penny-a-liner, necessary expense and much waste may so unhappily invested in their Seminary bringing the counsels of these Ahitho-special invitation of our pastor and they are filled with great disgust and concerning the whole Southern Church; be avoided. indignation at the assassin-like stabs of since its re-affirmation of the same in | We feel entire confidence that our the other at the Assembly's authority. face of indisputable facts for partizan people will furnish means to the Treas-Men feel uncomfortable indeed under purposes in 1866; since its official in- ury adequate to all reasonable demands golden wedge and the Babylonish gar- describes. When we recall the shock the Presbyterian Church in the United that a segment parted from the circle the consciousness that open murderers sinuation of mean falsehood in its act upon it not only for the support of Misare running loose in the country, setting anent the Louisville commissioners; since sionaries within the bounds of the Synlaws at defiance, but still more uncom- its base perversion of official authority od, but largely also for the relief of fortable under the consciousness of the to brand Ferguson for partizan purpos- ministers elsewhere whose faithfulness

with men who are entertaining these street Church to help out an unright- Let all such make their wants known. feelings that these men of the dead-letter ous law-suit; since its impudent calumny We take the liberty of reminding our where it would promote rather ley could have had the calmness of of the many issues involved by any one conclusive also that the Church in Kenare urging the unwilling people of the of Dr. Boardman, in rejecting his pro- brethren in the interior of the impor- than retard true Presbyterianism. If mind to utter, under such circumstances, for or against the Assembly until this tucky could justly and safely disregard Border States. It is for such a com- test as "disrespectful;" and, on the back tance of acting at once under the Synod's he could do nothing better with half of any other petitions than the natural Sabbath Morning. The field was new, the harsh requirements of 1866 with munion as this that they are urged to of all, its calumnious charge of slander resolve to raise \$20,000. Let the promption of all, its calumnious charge of lich a true Prochutorion orders in New York fellowship with their Sanada and presented, no doubt, to the Dr.'s Pittsburg orders of 1865. We have no break fellowship with their Synod—to against so grave and solemn and terri- ness and success of the friends in Louis- lish a true Presbyterian organ in New blows of God's chastising hand; that he mind an inviting and promising harvest. fear, however, as to what will be the fibreak up the kind communion of friends bly truthful a paper as the "Declaration ville inspire you to go and do likewise. York; which could do as much in one could at such a moment indulge in the His text was from 4th chapter of Epheand neighbors and kindred at home—to and Testimony"—the General Assem- Appeal at once to liberal and wealthy year for the propagation of truth as our generalities of pious Gentilism about sians—first three or four verses, which be longer hoodwinked by such reasonweaken the hands of their ministers bly's judgments have become of very friends outside as well as inside for aid present little crippled concern can do himself and Mr. Stanton and the whole enjoin "lowliness, meekness, long-suf- ing.

Free Christian Commonwealth and Sessions-to "scatter firebrands ar- small consequence to any true cour oower of numbers.

ponder this article of the Presbyter, by man in contemplating the proofs that way of learning the value of the promises his testimony is felt-yet a real pleasure terous folly and impudence during the and assurances of the demagogues who in hearing such Baal priests and their present ecclesiastical contests, we might with such pious air talk to them of the devotees curse and revile us. surely be astonished at finding men who "old church," that passes "dead letter" With this explanation of the matter claim to be honest and earnest in their orders in the name of Christ; and sends we feel at liberty to complain of the inconvictions rushing through, with more out executioners to enforce dead letter timation that our "harsh things" have than literal obedience, the divisive and orders by their dissolution of Presbyte- been or are, by way of retaliation on the wicked ordinances of the General As- ries and churches-unseating pastors- adversaries of Christian truth and freesembly, while at the same time they have seizing upon other people's property- dom. It is unjust both to us and to the this sheet could be scattered "as the fig. puzzled, and must wait for further light table. Dr. Gurley may have thought ciples of her government and constituthe face to tell the people that these or- locking church doors against pastors cause of truth thus to expound our condinances are unconstitutional in prin- with nine-tenths of the congregation at duct. And facts abundantly show that to every Post-office, begging for readers ciple, and are intended to be merely their backs—and destroying congrega- our utterances of harsh things have not and failing to get them, even at so cheap be done to save the curious Presbyte- in the bounds of the Synod of Balti- "not to leave the Presbyterian Church."

The able and accomplished writer in the Presbyterian who is reviewing the St. Louis Assembly over the signature "A Minority Man," has the following paragraph in his remarks upon the folly of the McLean resolution, referring specially to the impudent falsehood in the premise of it on which the resolution proceeds-viz: that under a resolution of the Assembly of 1865 the Presbytery of the men sent as its commissioner. perhaps intended to reach a particular

our law judge any man before it hear him, and know what he doeth?" What license is for ignorance and malevolence all within the Church, as well This minister's case is not l woman must see that it is inlocation in large portions of our to destroy his character as a witness the bad reputations, justly or unjustly, of the North and the South churches viting them to renew all the conflicts in the Assembly of which they have grown the Assembly of which they have grown and it must in candor be admitted, that so weary. For every intelligent man while this is the current style of talking and woman must see that the General and writing about him, he has, in a meas-

With the political sentiments imputed

Humphrey and Smith than with the Few of our readers will suppose that Declaration and Testimony. And the "this minister" feels very much agmost that they can accomplish by their grieved and crushed either by the official devices must be to lead the people that falsehood uttered against him by the trust them, a gang of helpless captives, General Asssembly; or by the "prevato be surrendered with themselves to the lent feeling about him in large portions ecclesiastical Jacobinism against which of the Church" which feeling is about as intelligent as the "prevalent feeling" We republish in another column to- of the Church under the Baal priests

rows and death," by way of showing ageous man; and "the prevalent feeling" not the old church at all, but a new being against a man is no uncertain in- der. church of a different order-a church dication that a better generation will whose bond is not a scriptural consti- love and reverence his memory. We tution, but an all crushing arbitrary confess to a sort of pleasure-whether the malicious pleasure of the natural man, We trust the people will read and or the proper pleasure of the Christian

practice. Or to find men pouring out We think it hardly worth while to ar- ply in testimony against faithlessness their tearful Jeremiads against division gue so plain a proposition as that hav- and bad conduct. We have said as harsh and distraction in our congregations, ing been forced by the Assembly's em- things of our neighbor Dr. Monfort, as while persuading the people to "bite issaries to stand off as Synods, the true of any other man in the Church; and yet and devour one another" at home; waste method of peace in the Border States is on the principle of retaliation, merely, the energies which should be applied to to stand quietly with their Synods-do we should have said less. For, to his sustain the gospel among them; and di- their work diligently in giving the peo- honor beit spoken, he has never like vide and drive off in disgust the commu- ple the gospel. Let the General As- his editorial brethren descended to the nity immediately around them from the sembly with its bear-garden strifes take | meanness of inventing or circulating gospel-all for the sake of keeping up its course, till the Lord shall restore it calumnies against us, but confined his warfare to open, out-spoken assault upon our doctrines and public acts.

Nor is it so much our "unfortunate facility" in saying harsh things that has led to the trouble, as the unfortunate facility of the present leaders of the Church in saying mean things and doing bad things. The harshest thing to be said of these men is the simplest and most truthful account of their acts and utterances.

But a still more important thought on this subject is involved in the writer's of Louisville might have suspended one | question-"What license is there in the word of God for observing a commodi-Whereas the resolution of 1865, though our silence when others in our presence condemn men unheard?" If conservacase, yet being itself founded upon the tive men in the Church would ponder silliest lies that partizan malice ever de- this question they might discover some vised thereby defeated its own end, it fatal errors in their conduct since the "banished," nor was "disloyal" beyond partial, deprecating assent to testimonies satisfaction with himself and as much any one of the 1,800,000 voters against for the truth at such a time. The whole dissatisfaction with the tactics of his these men by executing them, or rather the tothe commissioner referred to, the present writer has no sympathy. But "doth defection, he resolved that the voice of the communication to the ont of his offence. This led to

effort, by fierce clamor against him as "disloyal," as vituperative, or without license from the word of God, the Cerberus" and buy a temporary respite from assault by endorsing indirectly the clamor. Next came the Declaration and Testimony which shared precisely the and felt that it was substantially a true testimony. Had it not been for the mistaken policy of the dilatory and timid conservative men, who sought quiet and ease at the expense of their more venturesome and harsh brethren, our judgment is the Church might have been saved in 1862 or 1864.

The Synod's Committee of Missions. It may be proper to remind all conerned that the Synod's Committee of Missions is now in active operation.

The Executive Committee meets every

presence of assassins in their very midst. es; since its vulgar trickery in attempt- to Christ and his truth may have brought Now it is into a sham communion ing to create Elders for the Walnut them into straightened circumstances.

How the "Exotic" was planted and nurtured in Kentucky.

following very remarkable paragraph, more than verifying every intimation we of grace. have made, that the establishment of the racy to pervert our Church.

tree scattereth her untimely leaves," on this interesting subject.

RIAN, called on us and asked our co-operate Overture No opted in the Assembly of 1865, we protested, and urged that i take better ground, and as it persisted of Drs. Smith and Humphrey, and oth-

treacherous and false to their new allies | Cormicks and other Democrats. as to their old friends and supporters. jured man; and that they no more hesitated to employ the funds raised by him to subvert our Seminary, than to employ the funds of the Seminary against those who gave them. We begin to see now why the Kentucky School of Radicals has found so little favor. It is not because, as it boasts, it opposes both extremes, but because with singular faithlessness it has cheated both parties.

secret of the "feeling prevalent in cer- fellow soldiers, as he closed his celebratain portions of the Church against this ted campaign with Col. Lytle, on Gau-

In a communication to the Presbyte protest in the Church should not be rian of Nov. 3, on the "situation" ecthere in the word of God for condemning hushed by buying over or whipping over clesiastical at Gicago, which he leaves I replied, 'I will speak to God.' Said he, any man unheard? or for observing a all the journals of the Church; but out because "the noble, little band of presence condemn men unheard? We of his own crippled means set up a chan- the Central Charles are could no longer and peace to which these men are invi- have had quite enough of this during the nel of protest. This was the head and bear the burner indiges in the this petition, that from that hour we and our principles and our course. Of other

Second. The prejudice is strong again our church in Chicago, mainly be churches; but before the war, and du ring the war, they got the reputation of eing pro-slavery, secession, &c., &c. The North church is called "McCormick's church." The South church stands on a ot Mr. McCormick owns. And whatevboth these churches. The result is posed to represent. Consequently, loyal anti-slavery Presbyterians, in large num-School and Congregational churches. -And "outsiders" give both churches a wide berth.

Some \$2,500 has been raised for the when we find what thanks Mr. McCor- tice," for stirring up by means of hard Declaration and Testimony itself. The in the modern cases did the character of in providing boxes of clothing and other of untold thousands of dollars to the of the nation to suppress the general

same cause in Chicago. Monday evening. Congregations need- in this complaint is that the astute of subornation of perjury the most in--give him back the McCormick Church, pels to foolishness. ful in Chicago, in some enterprise else- present in Washington. That Dr. Gur- There had been no public discussion Dr.'s argument was valid at all, it was

Western Presbyterian, first under Drs. | doubtless to multitudes of others-why Humphrey and Yerkes at Danville, and, did not these loyal anti-slavery Presbyafter their miserable failure, shuffled off terians, who so cautiously eschew Mcupon the Shadow, to be issued from Cormickism, cast in their lot with the Louisville, was really a foreign conspi- "noble little band of the Central that patriotic climate. Church," under the ministrations of so Kentucky Presbyterians will find here eminent a loyal, anti-slavery Presby-

the New School and Congregational he procured over six thousand dollars to be the difficulty there be correct, we see no used in establishing the Western Preserveother remedy, than taking advantage of we promised it and gave it, but when the new the tendency to constitutional change paper gave its columns to the work of and new terms of communion, to append on paper," as it called to the chapter in our confession, " on the civil magistrate" an article prohibiting the McCormicks from contributing even to filling its columns, since the last As- | their money to "pious uses." We might embly, with "the dead letter" doctrines also have another order of Assembly eners, we still lamented and censured its joining all Presbyteries and Boards to examine every gift offered at the Lord's It would appear from this complaint, Treasury, and stop at the "receipt of that the Kentucky Celestials proved as eustom" all monies coming from Mc-

That after all Dr. Stanton was the in- Dr. Gurley sensationalizing at the Communion Table

At a recent communion service held in Carlisle, Pa., by the Synod of Baltimore uniting with the New School Synod of Philadelphia, Rev. Albert Barnes of the New School, and Dr. Gurley of Washington, took part in the Fatal virus in Chicago Presbyterianism. scene, as a matter "of universal interest," is the following:

body of that great and good man.
"At length the Secretary of War, who
was standing at my left, broke the silence

Do it just now "And there, by the side of our fallen what has been attained. chief, God put it into my heart to utter ause of our beloved, imperilled country." ontaneous 'Amen'?

"And has not the whole heart of the There are noble, good, and thoroughly loyal nation responded 'Amen'? loval men and women in both these "Was not that prayer there offered,

We are obliged, in candor, to answer yes, "responded to in a very remarkable manner," But remarkable chiefly er Mr. McCormick may in fact be, or have been, the people of Chicago are not in political sympathy with him. And he so remarkable a failure to grant the spebut one of a number of like kind in cific thing asked for, either to the whole same fate at the hands of men who knew strong and inveterate prejudice with the nation or to the parties most conspic nasses against the churches he is sup- uous in presenting the petition. "From that hour" all Mr. Lincoln's plans and bers, who come to Chicago, go into New desires for the pacification of the country seem to have been given up. From that hour Dr. Gurley seems to have This strikes us as one of the oddest been given over to a blind devotion to misfortunes under which we have ever parties and projects in Church and known Presbyterianism to labor. And State, working against the peace and we cease to feel astonished at the curses | union of the country. And from that and abuse we get in return for our hour, we fear, Secretary Stanton contwenty years' hard work for the Pres- nived at, if he did not take part in, that byterian Church-in large part a vol- infamous enterprise of Judge Advocate untary service of love and affection- Holt, alias "the Bureau of military jusyearning North and South for the return But what strikes us still more oddly of the era of good feeling. By a scheme mind of Dr Brown should not have famous in modern history, they attemptperceived and suggested to his Chicago ed to deceive mankind through such

defeats of the Presbyterian Israel under the sad impressions of a great national this time. and dollars which have proved so hurt- ble the scene must have been to those in Kentucky.

in raising a large installment on your in five. And we would pledge ourselves nation; that he could indulge in peti- fering and forbearing one another in apportionment of the \$20,000; then trust to give special attention to Chicago and tions of general patriotic sentiment love;" injunctions that our brethren their zeal for the "old church" which is of a church led by such an Assembly to the usual collections for the remainmuch in the way of expounding Presby- the cause of our beloved, imperilled seem to have never read, if we are to terianism to that region, as our enter- country," is to us still more re- judge from their actions towards all who prising cotemporary there, after all his markable than the non--response, have happened to differ from them. Dr. The Presbyter of Oct. 31st, has the outlay in hand-organs and sewing ma- which we have noted, to the prayer. H. labored with great tact and ingenuity, chines, noisy or noiseless, as a means But it is not for us, who have never and what politicians might call dema-The enquiry occurs to us, as it will judge of the heights of patriotic exalta- woman should for a moment think of tion, to which such men as Dr. Tustin, | "deserting" or "leaving" the Presbyte-

> enter our protest against this whole choice, and intended some public and the solution of the puzzling fact, how terian as Dr. Brown? Here we are style of speech over the communion final renunciation of the cardinal prinfavorably of Mr. Lincoln's acts as a pub- tion. The pathetic appeal was often made We confess we do not know what is to lie man, but it is surely no secret with- "not to dismember," "not to desert," been in the way of retaliation, but sim- a rate for the paper as paying the post- rians of the Northwest from going into more, that Dr. Gurley entertained no And to those not fully acquainted with such opinion, either of Mr. Lincoln's the true issue before the Church in Ken-"When Dr. Stanton, on his way East, where churches. If Dr. Brown's theory of greatness or goodness, as to justify him tucky, such appeals were calculated to in holding him up in that character at alarm them for its safety and welfare. the table of his dying Lord; and asso- He said there was nothing in the action ciating the death at the theatre with that on Calvary.

Alas, however, of what use such protests, even though they were Paul's he maintained that they were within own, against these tendencies to patri- the scope of the power of the Assembly, otic religionism in the Presbyterian and read from minutes of the Southern Church. We suppose they must go on till Assembly and from the Synod of North the Lord truly revives his work, heals | Carolina taking similar action as an arour backslidings and restores our apos-

his Friends.

31st an "Appeal for the Presbyter," in entirely, as not a shot was fired from which the editor makes the following that source. It was now "inoperative" statement-both truthful and modest, in Kentucky, and indeed generally all in our judgment-of the grounds of over the country. Said no man had his title to the liberal patronage of the ever seen it, so far as he knew, attempted men of that party in the Church:

services. "Hawkeye," the little Ho- for aid. The Presbyter from the first, has mer of the Achilles, and Ajax, of the been devoted to principles. It has ever tions, that all their past deliverances Potomac Presbytery, (Drs. Tustin and nestly advocated. It has endeavored to including the famous Pittsburg order Gurley,) celebrates in his report of the create public opinion, and has not waited to follow it. Its banner was unfurled to the breeze when the majority against us | Assembly had left that order to be exe-That eminent, little, militant apostle. a grand sensation incident of Dr. Gur- was ten to one. It has adhered to its being notorious that the commissioner defection in the Church began. It Rev. Fred. Brown, D. D., seems to have ley at the communion table, "never be-principles and its friends, until those principles and friends are in a majority in question neither, in the terms of the would perhaps suggest to them that closed his campaign in Chicago with as fore given to the public," concerning a of "four to one." Ten years ago and more Assembly's resolution, "fled," nor was there is neither license for silence nor for little satisfaction to himself, as meuh marvellous prayer of faith offered by it battled against the Kansas crime. It himself at the death-bed of the late was the first paper in the Church to discuss and oppose the system of slavery, in President, the substantial part of which the face of reproofs and sneers, in Church and State. It proclaimed in advance the doctrines which were adopted by the We all stood transfixed in our position. Assembly of 1861. It has steadfastly depeechless, breathless, around the dead fended the doctrines of subsequent As semblies on loyalty and freedom. It urged Right or wrong, it has persistently labored to bring the Church to its present status, and it is in full sympathy with

We ask the aid of those who approve eive with thankfulness what they hearers. In discussing the choose to give; but we ask nothing, and we do not expect anything. Why should we look to an advocate of the doctrine the Louisville Presbytery, or the Declaips of the entire company a fervid and that the action of 1865 is, and ought to "a dead letter," to support us? should any honest man who thinks that involved an enquiry as to the nature of the last Assembly violated the Constitution take the Presbyter, when he can find esponded to in a most remarkable man- papers to defend his views, which are as on the other hand, we do ask and expect the patronage of those in our field who with us, are opposed to reaction and repeal, and who glory in the noble position of our Church, and wish it to stand as

one of the brighest pages of our history. In former times we indulged occasionally in a hit at the Presbyter's want of and more than he claims.

For the Free Christian Commonwealth. Dr. Humphrey on the Issue.

LEBANON, KY., Nov. 3, 1866. others, as stated by him, we had a char- He failed to tellus why in Kentucky

Nobody doubts that Mr. McCormick oppressed us for days thereafter, we can duty of Presbyterians as such, in the Kentucky, organized a Synod which could invest his hundred or two thous- readily understand how ineffably horri- crisis now impending over us as a church disfranchises many of the best and

exercised our office in Washington, to goguery, to convince us that no man or late chaplain of the Senate, and Dr. rian Church. To have heard him, a Gurley, late chaplain to the White stranger to our controversy would have House, may attain by long residence in atonce concluded that a large body of our best membership seriously contemplated Our purpose was, however, simply to the abandonment of the church of their of the As embly from 1861 to 1864 to justify any man in "leaving the Church." Commenced with the Spring resolutions.

gument in justification. Touching the Assembly's Pittsburg action on the sub-The Presbyter's Claim to the Support of ject of loyalty, &c., held that it was wholly "inoperative." Dr. Stanton & We find in the Presbyter of Oct. Co. silenced his "dead letter" battery to be enforced in Kentucky, and indeed In addition to the fact that ours is a elsewhere, except in one or two exceptgood family paper we have special claims | ional cases; but declared, (in the face of the late Assembly's protestawere in full force and effect,) that the cuted or not in the "discretion of the Churches." Next he came to the St. Louis Assembly-justifying their action in toto, so far as the question of their power and right to do as they had done in regard to the "Declaration and Testimony" men, and the "Louisville Presbytery." He claimed that the Assembly, as the highest Church court, had in advance the principles and policy of every act of the Assembly for six years nounced to us the doctrine that it could admit persons to membership in the Church, and could ordain a minister. This statement presents a fact if t novel to several of his most i

ration and Testimony men, he said it

the Declaration and Testimony, to see if it was not "slanderous" in its charges ar or nearer to him than ours? But, against the Assembly. He then read from it on pages 7, 8, 10, 11, and other pages, giving a peculiarly odious emphasis to all the words or sentences which he fancied were "slanderous" or " objurgatory." These quotations formed no uninteresting part of his disintellectual force, and want of conscience course, as they enlightened to some exand principle. We still think that our tent those who had never read that criticisms at the time were not unfound- famous document, and served to present ed. But we take great pleasure in in good, plain, unvarnished "Saxon," making the amende to the Presbyter so some of the enormities of the past five far as to confess that whether because, Assemblies. He maintained that the provoked by our sneers, or because of language there used was "slanderous," some addition to its mental machinery, or because of coming across a set of prin or because of coming across a set of prin- they ought not to complain, as it would ciples to expound and defend-somehow give them the opportunity of appearing the Presbyter has made greater advance and making good by proof their charges in the way of vigor and life than any if they were in fact true. He closed by journal of the Presbyterian Church. a most pathetic appeal to stand by the old Church in her trials—not to leave And bad as its principles are and al- her or forsake her in her distress. One ways have been, those who hold those thing he wholly overlooked, forgot, or principles and rejoice over their triumph knowingly passed over without a word, in the Church, owe to the *Presbyter* all and that was, "who was responsible for the present condition of the Church in Kentucky, as growing out of the action Somehow we have a warm side for an of the late Synod at Henderson?" One editor that has principles-especially would have supposed that imbued with in these times of dodging and strategy | the spirit of the text from which he -even if we do not like the principles. spake, he could not have been one of advocate we attribute the other fact tioners of a bloody and unconstitutional that Dr. Monfort has treated us gene- edict, unnecessarily drove the Assemrally with fairness and manliness; and bly's wedge into the body of the Church contrast with the mean, unmanly assassin possibly forever. He failed to tell us tions and fealty to the General Assembly to ignore and treat as "inoperative," or as a "dead letter" their solemn injunctions of 1865, it was not equaly consistent with the same fealty for him Mr. EDITOR: -On this morning, by with all others, to forbear to execute the still more harsh and unconstitutional edict of the St. Louis Assembly of 1866. and the Church lot owned by McCor- We doubt not Dr. Gurley was terribly acteristic discourse from our esteemed to-day we have two bodies claiming to mick? Why do they hold fast to the shocked and appalled at the event he friend, Dr. Humphrey, on thestatus of be the Synod of Kentucky; why it was ment while they witness the fatal which the report gave ourselves, and States, and especially in Kentucky, at of our Church, at Henderson, and in the eager execution of the edict of the Assembly, which they might have renderthe leadership of the apostolic Brown? calamity involved in this death which He came to us to-day to expound the ed "inoperative" or a "dead letter" in

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fact-a fact which we are not allowed to whole congregation with its Pastor, shut forget—that printer's bills must be paid out of their place of worship, and driven weekly. We would remind our subscri- to the steps of the Church, as we are bers that we are now publishing the 2d privately informed, by a vulgar Scotchvolume of the Free Christian Commonwealth, man-and Scotchmen are either the and hope they will remit the amount of meanest and lowest or the noblest of subscription.

EDITORAL CHANGE.—We see by the last tees of the First Church, Lexington. and Rev. R. M. Dudley has been appointed their successor. We welcome Mr.

they may wish to have, and how they shall be forwarded. Address A. Davidson, for stealing the church itself.

The Assembly's Record.—Mr. Davidson has recived a supply of the Assembly's Record, prepared by Rev. R. P. Farris, which he will send by mail pre paid on receipt of 55 cents.

Let the People Beware of Ecclesiastical Trickery.

tucky the crisis so long dreaded—a separation between those who adhere to and those who refuse to accept the orders of the Assembly, the people had a right to the Assembly, the people had a right to the Assembly and the Assembly are the advances of the Assembly and the Assembly are the advances of the Assembly are th tract them under the cry of peace! peace! carricatures.

It seems however that the faction of "dead heads" and elders representing Roundhearts and Other Stories .- By the au- and eighty-five members to nine of their nobody, which seceded from the Synod of Kentucky at Henderson, are growing desperate for want of churches and people to be represented by them; and are the holidays. It contains four distinct at the same old trick of "wait!" "wait!" "peace!" "peace!" even after the war has been openly proclaimed and churches and Presbyteries declared dissolved. As though internal dissentions in a congregation were trifles compared with bly and caused division (!!) and trouble (!!.) And the signers pledge themselves to abide in their present church relations at least until after the next Assembly."

the liberty, unsolicited by any of the parties, to suggest to such of our readers as have a taste for some more elaborate reading on the great Theological Ecological Ecological. One can but smile at the ineffable impuimpudence, and go to breaking up their for a far off General Assembly.

Varieties of Presbyterians in the U.S.-Are General Assemblies essential?

very concise and every way excellent ac- truth to be spared, especially at such a er in harmony, both endeavoring to build count of the origin and varieties of Scot- crisis. tish Presbyterians in the United States. From this it appears that aside from the German Reformed, the Dutch Reformed per vol. \$1. per single number. Postage and the Southern Presbyterian bodies in advance. there are some eight varieties of Presbyterians. That these embrace a ministry of over 5000 of which some 2300, less than one-half, are in connection with 1866, has come to hand. It contains the third, are in connection with the New Church. 2. The Apostles. By Ernest Ren-School Assemblies. The others are conThe Abbe' Lamennais on Dante. 5.

General Assembly are recognized as nies. 8. The Forest of Fontainebleau. genuine Presbyterians, what becomes of Contemporary Literature. the dogma that the General Assembly is Address The Lenoard Scott Publishthe dogma that the General Assembly is an essential element of Presbyterianism?

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Address The Lenoard Scott Publishing Company, 38 Walker street New York. That a General Assembly representing York. the whole body is essential to the completeness of the system nobody disputes. students now at Washington College, Lexington, Virginia, including Judge But if so essential that standing off from Brockenbrough's law class, is three hunthe General Assembly is schism, and is dred and forty. The number of cadets is one hundred and seventy-four. There are fifty-four more who were appointed our demagogues say, what are we to by the Board of Visitors, yet to come in, think of those various bodies that do but who were instructed to report 1st have added 1,035 congregations to the recognize the Assembly? tot recognize the Assembly?

Free Christian Commonwealth Singular mode of Ecclesiastical Notice.

theory. We find in the Lexington Observer ing singular advertisement:

RELIGIOUS NOTICE. - According to an order of the session of the 1st Presbyterian Not inconsistent with the character of the paper, will October, 1866, the following notice was ordered to be published, viz: That a meet-For one Square (ten lines) or less, one insertion ... \$1 50 ing of the church and congregation of the 3 00 1st Presbyterian Church, of Lexington, be held at said church on Thursday, the Sth day of November, 1866, at 11 o'clock, Bey J. L. Harris was elected Moderator. ... 15 00 A. M., for the purpose of determing who Advertisements exceeding one square, will be charged is now the Pastor of the church, and of determining what action the church tance transacted. Rev. Thos. Morrow, ought to take in view of the fact that two bodies of men, each claiming to be the this church, its members, and its property.

This notice to be given by reading it from the steps of the 1st Presbyterian Church in this city, at 11 o'clock, A. M., on Sunday, October 28th, 1866, by Dr. Mr. Joseph V. Morton, of Shelbyville
Ky, has kindly offered his services in behalf of the Free Christian Commowealth, in Shelby Co, and he is hereby authorized to have been and are now closed by the acany thing for Commissioners' fund, or receipt for any money's paid to him for tion of some of the members of the con-

Done by order of the Session. B. T. MILTON, Clerk of Ses. We give place to this advertisement by way of practical illustration of the results of the " Peace! Peace!" theory We hope our friends will not forget the of our Dead Letter men. Here is a God's creation-who by some accident or other got into the Board of Trus-

number of the Western Recorder, published | Some poor drunken wretch who should has received a call to the pastorate of in this city, that Mr. J. L. Waller, Editor, disturb public worship on the Sabbath or the Presbyterian church at Olney, Illiand Rev. J. M. Weaver, associate editor, should steal somebody's overcoat out of and expects to enter immediately upon have both withdrawn from the paper, the church lobby during worship, would the duties of the office. find his place in the calaboose. But Dudley to a place in the corps editorial our law provides no such protection against Doctors of Divinity who break Minutes of Synod.—The Minutes of the up public worship, by using dirty Synod of Kentucky will be published in a Scotchmen as their tools, and can fee few days. It would probably be well for lawyers just fresh from the Confedera-Pastors and Elders to state what number cy to invent plausibilities for their out-

REVIEWS.

Our Artist in Peru. - (Fifty Drawings on Wood)-Leaves from the Sketch Book Carleton, Publisher.

This book is a companion to "Our Artist in Cuba," published last year, which, After the Assembly's executioners from the novelty of the thing, had quite had forced upon the churches of Ken- an extensive sale. The author, who is tucky the crisis so long dreaded-a sepaexpect that now at last the churches such sights would strike the imagination | the congregation are to move up town in shall have resofrom the plottings and of one who has a taste for the ludicrous. the vicinity of 50th street and 6th avenschemings of partizans to divide and dis- The merit of the book is altogether in its ue.

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The Southern Presbyterian Review. We have just received the September No. of this able Quarterly, being Vol. 17, differences with the General Assembly. No. 2 The extracts with which we have have been conversions the last few days A correspondent from the interior writes enriched our columns, will enable our among men in prominent walks of life. under date of Nobember 3d.: "The readers to judge for themselves of the tone The manifest seriousness of thought in present plan of the Radicals is secretly and spirit of the Journal. We rejoice that various circles is a hopeful feature of the to circulate through the congregations the brethren at Columbia, S. C., have services of religion has not been better a paper for signature, representing that been able, notwithstanding "the loss of than now in many a long day. We are a party have gone off from the Assem- all things" to re-issue this very important called to thankfulnes and to courge. We organ of true Presbyterianism. We take are summoned to prayer and to labor." reading on the great Theological Ecclesias with cheering indications of the prestical questions of the day than newspaper | ence and work of the spirit. Dr. H. had dence of these emissaries, yet probably articles, that they cannot do better than made arrangements for a series of daily there are Presbyterians in Kentucky send at once \$3 to Rev. James Woodrow disappointed of aid from brethren in just silly enough to be caught by this Columbia, S. C., and order the Review Baltimore; he commenced the meetings commencing with No. 1 of vol.17. We are alone, preaching every evening. The prompt attention.

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Nov. 8. 95 Third street, Louisville. friendships at home to show their zeal trial will thank us for this hint. Besides Mr. Bedinger, their former pastor, and THE CHILDREN'S FRIEND the brethren at Columbia greatly need pe- the Rev. Robt. L. McMurran to assist cuniary aid to re-establish this excellent him, whose labor have been accompanied Quarterly. It should not be allowed to with blessed results. In the meantime Are General Assemblies essential?

The Presbyter of last week contains a portant an instrument for promoting portant an instrument for promoting twith to be spaced especially at such a

> The Review is published Quarterly in January, April, July and October-\$3 paid by publishers when subscription is that last Sabbath five adult males were

bia, S. C.

The Westminister Review-for October, the Old and some 1700, less than one- following articles, viz: 1. The Irish "Methodist" has become opprobrious from nected with various independent Syneds or Presbyteries.

The Abbe' Lamennais on Dante. 5. South shall abandon it, and assume the title of the "Evangelical Episcopal Reciprocity Treaty. 6. The Dog; His In-Church." But would not this title imply Reciprocity Treaty. 6. The Dog; His In- Church.' Now as all these bodies outside any telligence. 7. Our North Pacific Colo-

Washington College - The number of ready for their reception.

Thanksgiving Day .- The President of Another Illustration of the Dead-letter | United States having recommended that Thursday the 29th day of November be observed as a day of thanksgiving and prayer and Reporter, of Oct. 31st. the follow- to Almighty God, Governer Bramlette, of the Commonwealth of Kentucky has re commended that that day be so observed

For the Free Christian Commonwealth. Abstract of the Minutes of the Presbytery of Tuscumbia.

Presbytery met at Florence, Alabama, Rev. J. L. Harris was elected Moderator. There was but little business of imporof Somerville, and Col. L. B. Thornton, West Lexington Presbytery, are now claiming jurisdiction and control over ed Commissioners to the next General ed Commissioners to the next General Assembly.

The Churches were, as to representation, lamentably negligent. Not a single Church, except Union Springs, was represented. There were no statistical reports presented; and but two Churchany thing for Commissioners' fund, or incidental expenses.

Rev. Thomas Morrow was appointed a committee to write to those churches that were delinquent, requesting them to forward to him the amounts respectively due.

Gen. J. W. Garth, Capt. P. Todd, and Mr. Taylor Banks, were appointed a committee to raise funds to build a Presbyterian Church at Decatur. Presbytery adjoured to meet at Som-

erville, Ala., on Friday before the first Sabbath in April next, at 11 o'clock, A. WM. H. MITCHELL, S. C.

Rev. Henry E. Thomas, of Frankfort, Ky. The Rev. E. B. Inslee. - We have this

veek had the pleasure of welcoming this brother from his distant field of labor in China. He has just reached this country, by the way of India, the Isthmus of Suez, nd Great Britain. He expects soon to return to China.—Southern Presbyterian. On the 13th ult., the Rev. James P.

Smith was ordained and installed pastor of the church of Big Lick, Roanoke county, Virginia, by the Presbytery of Montgomery. Pine Street Church, St. Louis.—It is expected that Rev. B T. Lacy, of Virginia, will occupy the pulpit of the Pine Street Church, next Sabbath, the,21st inst.

of a Traveler, during the Winter of 1865 6. By Geo. W. Carleton, author of "Our Artist in Cuba." New York. welcomed by many old friends, but our Presbyterian community will be highly gratified should he conclude to cast in his lot with us. - Misssouri Pres.

Broome Street Church Sold .- Another of

Progress in the Synod of Nashville.-The Synod of Nashville in their late narrative, report the addition of one hundred thor of "Rutledge," "Sutherlands," &c. churches on examination; and one hun-With six Illustrations. New York. Carle- dred and twenty-two by letter; making dred and twenty-two by letter; making three hundred and seven added to nine churches. With these cheering evidences of advancement, they speak of a commendable spirit of liberality. About New Books at A. Davidson's,

> Conversions in San Francisco.—"The Paeific" of the 27th of September, says of the daily Prayer Meetings in San Francisco, that "the presence of the Divine Spirit in the meetings of the various times. The attendance on the regular

up the Church of Christ in that village, which has heretofore numbered but few professors of religion among its male inhabitants. We cannot now speak of the number of conversions, but understand expected to unite with the Presbyterian Addaess, Rev James Woodrow, Colum- Church upon profession of faith. Deep seriousness is observed in the community, and the meetings are continued the

present week. Denominational Title.—As the name its connection with Radical politics at the North, a writer in the Richmond Christian Advocate proposes that the church at the that the Protestant Episcopal Church is not Evangelical-even with the help of

the Low Church element in it? The Rev. Samuel Davis Baldwin, D.D.,

age.

Cumberland Presbytery.—Rev. S. W. Morrow states that since last April, in the row states that since last April, in the as the Post Office and State.

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Ocion Tenn, there have been six hundred professions of religion at meetings held by ministers of the Cumberland Presbyte-

Rev. A. H. Redford, writing to the School Books! School Books Nashville Advocate from Kentucky, relates the following interesting incident.

was present this morning when the of SCHOOL BOOKS, and will be Rev. Elkanah Johnson placed in the ceive the patronage of his friends in Kentucky hands of Bishop Doggetta check for hands of Bishop Doggett a check for Jas Schools supplied on liberal terms. \$2,000—a munificent donation from Miss Lurena Brown, of Flemingsburg, Ky., for

the support of the bishop. If this exam-

ple should be followed largely, our bish-

ops will find that they are not friendless

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DIED.

mysterious workings of that Prvoidence, in whose hands, the lives of young and old alike are suspended. Just budding into womanhood, and adorned with every grace of mind and soul that goes to make they

that goes to make the valuable member of so-ciety, and earnest, zealous Christian, a large circle of friends and relatives are called upon to mourn her early death. There is a vacant seat within the Church she loved so well. No

seat within the Church she loved so well. No more her earnesteyes shall gaze upon the face, nor her pure soul drink in the messages of Grace, as they fall from the lips of her Sabbath School Teacher. No! there too is a vacancy which she alone could fill. The loving mother, the doting father, the much stricken sisters, will miss her at the social hearth. Oh! how much? God comfort them amid this great distress. But while celled to recover with

distress. But, while called to mourn we them the blighting of this lovely flower, would not mourn as those who have no ho No; but rather rejoice, that having escap the cares and sorrows of this sinful world,

yet her angel spirit had received a stain from contact with the things of earth, God called he home, to sit upon the throne, he hath prepares for those who love and serve him here.

Her pale, attenuated form now rests beneath the sod, but her freed spirit mid the angelic choir. God of her salvation, Oh! that we Parents, Sisters, Relations, Pastors, Teachers

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Finally, as to their threat of withdrawing from the Church in case it could not be reformed, this is nothing new. To address that language to the Assembly it self might be deemed an act of defiance and hence be censured as a contempt The Declaration and Testimony, however, was not addressed to the Assembly, but to the Church at large, just as the Act and Testimony of 1834. But the Presbytery of Chillicothe not only threatened the Assembly with withdrawal, about twenty-five years ago, but actually abstained from sending commissioners to the Assembly for two or three years; and declared they could not do so, as long as slaveholders were allowed to commune in the Church. Of this conduct the Assembly took no notice. Moreover, what did Dr. Gurley do in this very Assembly at did not exercise discipline on these recusant brethren, he would seek ecclesiastical cover elsewhere? This was deemed no offence to this Assembly, because Dr. did Mr. Galloway do, in this same Assembly, but declare that he would not sit in an Assembly with a man who had called said Presbytery. him vulgar; and so the vulgar threat had its desired effect, and in order to retain so distinguished a leader in their counsels, the Assembly had to redress his private grievances by expelling a member.

How would it have sounded, in 1837. N. S. S. Beman, a commissioner from the Presbytery of Troy, is understood never the subject of trying men for their doctrinal errors: Therefore, Resolved, That and decided on the conduct of said Presbe entitled to his seat." Would it not have startled the Assembly, and shocked Church had run wild with political excitement? It would have been said that no charges had ever been tabled against Dr, Beman. Neither have charges ever been tabled against Dr. Stuart Robinson, notwithstanding all the hue and cry which have been raised against him. would have been said that no one could be pronounced guilty by a legislative action, until proved guilty by a judicial process; that innocence must be inferred until guilt has been judicially established This, again, is a principle recognized everywhere, except in the case of Dr. Stuart Robinson and the Declaration and Testimony men. It would have been said that forcible and nnconstitutional ejectment of a commissioner from the Assembly had destroyed its integrity, and rendered the whole of its proceedings null, since it could no longer claim to consist of an equal delegation of ministers and elders from every Presbytery, and hence that it did not represent in one body all the particular churches of the denomination. And had such an outrage been perpetrated, it would have weighed in the balances against the Old School before the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania in

This latter point was, indeed, raised and argued with great force against the action of the St. Louis Assembly now under consideration, by Dr. Van Dyke, of Brooklyn, in his able protest. The answer to it, prepared by Dr. West, also of Brooklyn, and adopted by the Assembly, cannot be considered anything less than a complete acknowledgment of the validity of the objection. The reply is that Dr. Van Dyke's principle would vitiate every meeting of the Assembly, because some delegates fail to attend at every meeting. This may pass for good fencing; such weapons may answer to foil an adversary; but surely Dr. West and the Assembly must have known that this argument, i we may call it such, did not, in the slight est particular, touch the difficulty raised by Dr. Van Dyke. That silence gives consent, is a law of all deliberative bodies; and voluntary absence is the most potent form of silent acquiesence. This is more especially the case when the law of organization, by which the members are bound, specifies the quorum to whose decisions they all agree to submit. But is there any analogy between the voluntary absence and silent acquiesence of Presbyteries or their commissioners, and the forcible ejectment of lawfully delegated members? Is there ever a quorum present in any deliberative Assembly, when any man is forcibly ejected? Can it be called a General Assembly of the whole Church, when any Presbytery is denied representation? This is Dr. Van Dyke's point, which Dr. West does not touch, does not even approach; thereby confessing his inability to meet it.

Indeed, one member, Mr. Galloway, we has happened in history. believe, defended the action taken against the Louisville commissioners, by charging that the Assembly of 1837 had ejected the commissioners from the "four Synods" from the house without giving them a hearing. He said the Assemblies of way must get the history of his own church from the New School; for this is precisely what they have always charged on the Old School, but which the Old School have always denied. The New School have charged that those Presbyteries and Synods were exscinded; but the Old School have always, until Mr. Galloway became their champion, claimed that they were simply disowned. The Assembly of 1837 examined into their origin, the source whence they came; they repealed the Plan of Union of 1801, under which they were organized, declaring it unconstitutional, and that, hence, every thing done under it was unconstitutional. Therefore, those Presbyteries and Synods which were organized under it, never having been constitutionally organized, were no part of the Presbyterian Church and so the Assembly of 1837 decided, and Judge Gibson pronounced it good law in 1839. But no man, at that day, ever dreamed that any commissioner could be ejected from the Assembly, or any member excluded from the Church, after he once had obtained admittance by the constitutional door, without regular trial and condemnation; or that a lawfully constituted Presbytery could be denied representation, on any ground. The Assembly decided that the Presbyteries of the dismissed Synods had never been lawfully constituted; but nobody has yet denied the legality of the organization of the Presbytery of Louisville. Hence, the case of the disowned Synods is not analagous to the case in hand, and forms no

dreamed of in 1837. At that day it would have been denounced as an arbitrary assumption of tyrannical power by an irresponsible majority. And undoubtedly, all unprejudiced men outside of the Old course toward the Louisville commission- hearts. Spurgeon.

ers. Men must be tried and convicted before being condemned. And this was precisely the course Dr. R. J. Breckenidge aimed at. He does not often secure is objects by indirection; but comes up o the issues before him squarely, meet ng them face to face. In this case, he eneavored to arraign the lower court on lirect charges, condemn it on them, and execute sentence accordingly. This course men, whatever might have been the final result; for it would at least have shown a decent respect for the forms of justice.

But in an evil hour the Assembly fell under the lead of Dr. D. V. McLean, who understands nothing of the forms, and would seem to care but little for the ends nical course towards the Louisville Pres

bytery. The resolution having been adopted to exclude the Presbytery of Louisville, on the motion of the same extraordinary leader, Dr. D. V. McLean, it was "resol St. Louis, but to its face declare that if it | ved that a committee of seven be appointed, composed of four ministers and three elders, to examine into the facts connected with the alleged acts and proceedings of the Louisville Presbytery Gurley had become a leader, and was and whether it is entitled to representa hectoring them a little. What tion in this General Assembly; and to rec ommend what action, if any, this General Assembly should take with regard to the

They first exclude the Presbytery of Louisville, and then appoint a Committee to inquire into its conduct, and report whether it ought to be excluded. First, they hang the men, and then enquire whether they ought to hang them. had Dr. Baxter arisen and offered a resolution to this effect: "That whereas Dr. or in the South-West, as "rough justice," under the unwritten code of Judge Lynch as, always, under that code, a formal tria to have adopted the Constitution of this is had, and a formal sentence pronoun Church; and whereas, it is probable that | ced, antecedent to execution. This Ashis Presbytery would have deposed him sembly, however, was filled with admira- Bible lives more and more prominent from the ministry, had they obeyed the tion of the Congress of the United States, injunction of the Assembly of 1835 on and tried to justify every arbitrary pro ceeding by a reference to the rights corresponding action of its two Houses. until the Assembly shall have examined But did anybody ever hear of such proceedings in either House of Congress? bytery, the said commissioner shall not We admit that in its past history, and especially in more recent proceedings, precedents of a most extraordinary nature may its moral sense, at that day, before the be found. But just here, the appeal to very startling measures, and by most unaccountable votes has vacated seats filled by men whose views were antagonistic to those of the majority. But we believe there is no instance on record where they have vacated the seat first, and then inquired into the grounds of their action

> The leaders of the Assembly, however, did not agree among themselves as to the manner in which the Presbytery was before the Assembly. While some contended, as we have seen, that it was under against the Synod of Kentucky, others contended that it was now under process because of these proceedings. But as neither of these views seemed satisfac tory. Dr. Thomas attempted the rescue of his cause, and claimed that the Presbytery was before the Assembly under the power of review and control. We cannot ake the time nor the room to examine all the points raised in this interminable we simply refer our readers to the Chapter on Review and Control in the Book of Discipline, where they will see how widefrom the course prescribed, if this was the kind of power which was aimed at.

phly in his article on its nr in the July number of the Princeton Re view, and, in the one important aspect of of the Declaration and Testimony men was excessive; but he says, "it is comparainflict an unduly severe penalty; or that the judge should be harsh and overbearing trine. We always supposed that the end of discipline was the maintenance of jusour simplicity, we supposed that it was a matter of great importance for a Christian for a church court to exert its power, even though it may have the law on its side Two Presbyteries, we believe, petitioned the late Assembly either to romove Dr. Hodge from his chair, or make him keep quiet concerning the unwonted proceed-Assembly had the power to remove him; the law would have been on its side. But we scarcely think Dr. Hodge or his friends | moral life? would have thought it a small matter had the Assembly put forth such an exercise of its power. It would have been an act of unquestionable tyranny. And when Dr. Hodge teaches the Church that it is of small moment what the Assembly does, provided it has the law on its side, he is whetting a sword for his own neck. is this the first time that just such a thing

A Parable.

A certain tyrant sent for one of his 1837 and 1838 had cut off Presbyteries employment?" He said: "I am a ted principles of human conduct? Why convictions. So bold and defiant, and at and Synods in this manner. Mr. Gallo- blacksmith." "Go home," said he, "and make me a chain of such a length." He went home; it occupied him several months, and he had no wages all the time he was making it. Then he brought it to the monarch, and he said: "Go and make it twice as long." He gave him nothing to do it with, but sent him away. Again he worked on, and made it twice as long. He brought it | infidelity. again, and the monarch said: "Go and make it longer still." Each time he brought it, there was nothing but the command to make it longer still. And when he brought it up at last the monarch said: "Take it, and bind him hand and foot with it, and cast him into a furnace of fire." These were the wages of making the chain. Here is a meditation for you to-night, ye servants of gloom, and the flittings and menaces of the devil? Your master, the devil, of ghosts, that never had a substance or is telling you to make a chain. Some have been fifty years welding the links of the chain; and he says: "Go and make it longer still." Next Sabbath morning you will open that shop of yours, and put another link on; next Sabbath you will be drunk, and put another link on, next Monday you will do a dishonest action; and so you will keep on making fresh links to this chain; and when you have lived twenty more years, the devil will say; "More links on still!" And then at last, it will be: "Take him and ustification of the recent action of the bind him hand and foot, and cast him into a furnace of fire." For the wages Indeed, such a proceeding was never of sin is death. There is a subject for your meditation. I do not think it will be sweet: but if God makes it profitable. it will do you good. You must have strong medicine sometimes, when the School body must so account their recent disease is bad. God apply it to your

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The Bible is the infallible standard of right and wrong, of truth and error. of justice; and consequently brought on It gives us the true testimony of man's tself the indelible discredit of its tyran- fall and recovery. But young people do not possess the knowledge to detect, deceits of those who seek to draw away enemies and perverters. But men are against it because it is against them. Butthere is nothing new in the argument and nothing uncommon in the attempt. That the Bible must soon vanish before literature, and knowledge; about light, mies of the Bible. progress, and the fool's paradise, the

in every age of the world. But who are the great promoters and losophic and scientific lights in the world? They are, just as they have always been, taken in the mass, the receivers and defenders of the Bible; and discussion; but as to this claim of power, no men, more than these, look with keener or more consuming contempt upon the balderdash of driving the Bible out w the course of the Assembly differed of the world by the light of knowledge. But time, with rude and cruel derision, Dr. Hodge comes to the aid of the As- tears away all the shallow pretensions of infidelity, and does with especial scorn lay bare its most preposterous pretense constitutional right, justifies all that was of being the light of the world. The True, he thinks the punishment Bible is, in its very nature, the great promoter of all knowledge, so much so, tively a small matter that a court should and so indubitably so, that its missionaries also become the missionaries of in his spirit and manner, provided he has general knowledge and learning. It is the law on his side." This is new doctherefore, not less absurd to talk of light vanishing before the sun, than to talk of tice, not the assertion of power; and in the Bible vanishing before knowledge. The Bible itself is a boundless field of man to get his rights; far more so than knowledge, and the learning employed upon it has been of the very greatest and profoundest nature. And if the Bible be a bad book and false, why do the wisest, the best, and the most learnings of the Assembly. Undoubtedly the ed of men love to walk in its light, and this point, taking that by storm; using all

to draw from it the strength of their But is it in the nature of things, that a false book, a book full of imposture and venomous deceit, can inculcate the greatest, loftiest, and purest of truths as its basis, and imposture as its design, truin; endeavoring to continue the little as its basis, and imposture as its design, truin; endeavoring to continue the little as its basis, and imposture as its design, subjects and said to him: "What is your the divine character and the most exal-

learning and no learning, that two-penny philosophy and transcendental fogand the babblings of self inflation, that

But the tree is known by its fruit, and in spite of all his pretensions the heard of Christ, but of one who has witunbeliever is known by his. The Bible compels each man to stand out in his good and creditable to show, let us see it. What ignorance has it dispersed, what moral and intellectual blessings has it conveyed to any land or nation? What tears has it wiped from the widit ever made sing for joy? Into what places has it entered with the gifts of peace and the offers of life? What hovels has it entered with the light of hope, has it entered with the light of hope,

and to what children of sorrow has it while his style is fresh, vigorous, and he and Elias, talking with Him." Peter spoken the words of consolation? What is ever presenting new views, and carrying the reader forward without conscious distinguished prophets, whom he had write and the World challength. squalor and educated for honor, purity, ing skeptical opinions in his path, stagshallow for the deep, nor by the false and respectability? Where are the at sea, depriving mankind of faith, and for the true. The thing, which invests human nature with its noblest character- the nations prospering in the light of its the modern apostleod infidelity its characterists. The thing, which invests monuments of its worth, and where are making them proud of skepticism. No their loving features again, then indeed our farewell partings would be painful, execute sentence accordingly. This course would have challenged the respect of all istics, is its capacity for religious knowl- faith? The only answer to this is, the pion and Magnus Apollo. French Revolution—the reign of terror, blood and carnage. But beside this out. gospel is the most unfair and disingenuburst of its fury and fanaticism, the mul- worthy of him. As well might the origi titudes that are ever flying from its nality of the Paradise Lost be attacked, because here and there an idea or a fig gloomy regions of discomfort and horror, ure could be shown which it might have They find that to darken the mind and occasional feature to the productions of to silence all its great moral enquiries another master. The wonderful novelty nor the power to sift the sophistries and does not satisfy the soul. To sneer at of the Bible, the variations from natural death and eternity is the fool's defence. pletion of it, can be rendered very stri- we shall be like Christ, and dwell with disciples after them. The Bible has its But the effect of the Bible is to show king. Take the topics of natural religion, these men off in their true deformity.

learning and knowledge is nothing more be treated with the deference due to Revelation as far exceeds man's conceptions formed from nature, as the descripthan the old tune played by new hands. truth. Nothing yet has been able to tion in detail of a country by one who It is the hackneyed notes of many cen- stand long as an antagonist of the Bi. has travelled through it and lived in it, turies and seems to live merely to tanta- ble, nor can any of those things, vital lize its votaries. If constant and never to the great interests of nations stand failing falsification could destroy its vi- long without its support. Whether it tality, it would have gone down unhon- be false and godless schemes of philanored and unsung long since. But after | thropby, of education, or what not, all all this prattle and twaddle about science, have at last to meet the fate of the ene-

Infidelity has tried its hand in two instances in our country and upon its defenders of this science and knowledge of Virginia, and the Girard College, Philface of the globe? Who rear the edu- dence of an inborn and essential worthcational banners that float over christen- lessness in all schemes of infide! phidom? Who carry the light and plant lanthrophy. They were devised upon Congress fails. It sometimes has adopted | the institutions of learning in every land? | infidel plans and looked forward to infi-Who make it the business of their lives | del ends. But neither the fame of Jefferto see that the world is supplied with son in the one, nor the wealth of Girard the instrumentalities of knowledge? Are in the other, could vitalize the rotten they the friends or the enemies of the principles upon which they were insti-Bible? No one dreams for a moment tuted. Neither of them was able to that its enemies are likely to put them- stand upon its legs until Christian men selves to any cost or trouble, and much | took hold of them and breathed life into less to a life-long effort for any such their dry bones. Established as they purpose. There is no dread of light by were, in utterignorance of the true naeess depends. Who are the great phi- their founders. And it is a matter of stitutions, great and powerful as they are, working out vast and beneficial results, under the very spirit they were designed to overthrow. We love to see a way so distinct and indisputable. The turning of the counsel of the wicked upside down is most manifest in these never reach the only haven-God. instances.

From the Southern Presbyterian Review. Buckle's History of Civilization.

It has been the lot of Christianity to ncounter constant attacks, so that from the summit to the base, no stone has escaped assault. No Sebastopol ever stood much lauds, could it but become universal, and the restraints of faith all be relaxed. The being of God, the fact of revelation, the inspiration of the Scriptures. the truth of their records, have each in its turn been the subject of attack by the enbrought to bear against it. Mr. Buckle has marshalled all the forces of infidelity. reorganized them, reinforced them, skilfully disposed them for battle, surprising the arts of consummate generalship, with is the culmination of the infidelity of the nineteenth century; its blossom and fruit age, its concentrated power, its aggressive and vigorous attack, proud, stately, confident of success, in which materialism utilitarianism, worldly policy, statistics concentrate their energies under a skilful and noblest of conduct? With falsehood | leader, and make war upon Christian truth; endeavoring to conciliate into neu how can it be the great treasury of di- by artful concessions, and making overvine knowledge and the teacher of the tures to its friends by propositions of compromise. He makes many a side at purest and loftiest of morals? How tack; elbows this doctrine, that statement should it contain the sublimest views of of fact, that general principle out of the gard as true, sneering many out of their produce purity and cast out vice? Why the same time collected and cool is he that one hesitates out of mere courtesy denounce falsehood and imposture, if its to contradict, and apply the simple ansgreater if possible, all go to show the contemptuous references to the replies utter confusion and contradiction of all elicited by their reasonings, his praise of moral and logical ideas in the mind of great skeptics as great thinkers, his matter of course denials of many Christian God. opinions as exploded and conceded so to It is therefore, not strange that vice, with the infidel, and not accept the low ignorance, and self conceit, that half position to which he assigns the faithful, whom he classes with the superstitious the ignorant and bigoted. None of these authors excelled him in boldness, subtlematics, that the gibberings of atheism ty, vigor and intrepidity, and probably honesty of attack. He has the tone of one who has confuted Christianity; and he the peepings and mutterings of its house addresses himself to others as though all thinking men had settled that question long since. Many of his arguments seem of ghosts, that never had a substance or to presuppose its falsity, as a pretended revelation, well understood by men of sutendom, a great heathen philosopher, not occupying the position of one who has not nessed his downfall, (so far as his pretenions were supernatural,) apparently unmoved, and had his intellectual being. recognized and called Him "Master." The whole God-appointed ministry of reconciliation is to him foolishness and a stumbling-block. The positive scheme of gress. The argument ad invidiam is abun- was altered, and his raiment was white

His attack upon the originality of the

bear one uniform testimony against it. borrowed, or of some perfect work of statthen the topics of revealed; and you will find in the latter a wonderful fulness and We are sick of shams and humbugs individuality which the former entirely and of idle pratings about science and wants. In the margin by which revealed is preposterous that such things should territory from which all heresy springs. Revelation as far exceeds man's concep

called "Wonderful, Counsellor.

revelation, and it knows not whither it own theory. We allude to its two great nation. Society can ro more be solved goes. All this grand march has no destieducational enterprises—the University | without God than can individual man. Its which are to chase the Bible from the adelphia. These institutions give evi- and love of God and its co-ordinate, the the first born, to perform the work of dividuals, to each of whom the loftiest nost beneficent of earthly sentiments. What is it that gives dignity and sta bility to the Universe, that preserves it from this, God might make and unmake Gentiles, and all on board the helpless worlds, in the sportful caprice of unlimi- ship has lost hope of being saved; an vents us from being blown away by the mere breath of caprice. This it is which process, upon the appeal and complaint the friends of the Bible. They are the ture of Christianity, we are glad and gives sobriety, dignity, awful seriousness ed him to "fear not." If angels are so men who are scattering it everywhere thank God that their failure is so clear has made, and he will conduct to its con- not know each other when we are to be abroad and it is upon them that its suc- and inevitable upon the principles of summation. Life and responsibility are "as the angels," enjoying the fellowship solemn joy and triumph to see these insolemn joy and triumph to see the see ization, but his scheme of disconnecting the world from its author is an impossible condition in his problem. He will have and entered the dark valley and shadow to concur with the clergy and the mass of death, lovely in your lives and precithat God has something to do with it, and the defeat and dishonor of infidelity, in not leave this element out of his count. though it be in all its grandeur of ap-

for the Children.

pointment, remain forever at sea, and

For the Free Christian Common wealth Letter to The Young. Dear Children: Have you ever thought of the pleasing theme of heavsuch a siege. Not the least dangerous of enly recognition? Do you believe we these attacks is that of Mr. Buckle, who shall know each other in the home of with all his genius seems little aware of love, which God in his infinite goodness lessly reeling to and fro from the viothe tendencies of the skepticism he so has prepared for us? Many of you, no lentshock of an earthquake, Charles Wesdoubt, have been called upon to yield ley, standing up before his congregation to the grim visaged messenger of death, at the foundry, exclaimed, in a state of and reluctantly give up the sweet little religious exaltation: "We will not fear sister or the darling brother, whose sun- though the earth be removed, and the shiny countenance and musical voice hills be carried into the midst of the emies of Christianity. Physics, metaphys- were so charming to you and the inics, history, geology, statistics, have been mates of your earthly home of affective the God of Jacob is our refuge!" His tion .- You tenderly smoothed back the hearers were trembling with terror, exgraceful curls which hung in flowing pecting each moment that the walls clusters upon her marble brow, en- of the building would fall. Cries and shrouded her neatly in a robe of spot- lamentations were heard on every side. less white, imprinted the heart-burning What a sublime spectacle! A tottering no formal declaration of war. This work farewell kiss, and sadly followed her city, and a soul triumphant and a perhonored remains to the last resting place feet peace. appointed for all the family of Adam. And oh! when your summer's sun had familiar, and its associations pleasing. set in deepest gloom while it was yet Placed at the head of a school that preday; the darkening clouds of your pared many pupils annually for the great sorrow settled down upon your English Universities, and possessing a happy pathway, and hope had well nigh gone out forever: through your fast gushing tears, did you not look upward with the heart cheered by the gratify-ly sought by cultivated men.

English Universities, and possessing to provided they bring sound evidence of Ohristonia Character and capacity. The buildings are handsome and commodious, affording furnished rooms, free of charge, for forty students; and are placed in a healthy climate and good neighborhood, accessible by South Side and possessing the provided they bring sound evidence of Ohristonia Character and capacity. The buildings are handsome and commodious, affording furnished rooms, free of charge, for forty students; and are placed in a healthy climate and good neighborhood, accessible by South Side and Possessing the powerful cast of mind, both as a writer and a public speaker, his influence was extensive, and his opinions were eager-ly sought by cultivated men. ing reflection, and say submissively, "I know that my Redeemer liveth," for birthday. His name has lately been one, I shall clasp you to my glorified his measure of ambition he declares is bosom on the joyous morning of the full. Fame, position, competence, an ward in their studies. resurrection. The beloved Jesus tells affectionate family, and a delightful ruus that "the children of the resurrec- ral home in the most picturesque part tion, the glorified in heaven, * * are as of England, all are his. Your eye kinwhole object is to promote both? These, wer or obvious comment. His respectful the angels of God;" therefore co-equal dles, but a shadow overcasts your mind, with a thousand more absurdities, still references to Hume and Gibbon, his en- in beauty, dignity, purity and holiness. as you think, as Johnson said to Gar-

that 'we cannot inherit the Kingdom of vid, these are the things that make a The church of your fathers, the minbe by thinking men, incline men to side lature type of Heaven's holy sanctuary, morning; and finds that the hour of his during its erection was surrounded by transit from earth to another world has scaffolding; these necessary prerequisites have been taken down, the lofty edifice completed, dedicated, and set apart the first spasm subsides. He lies still, to the worship of Him "who inhabiteth "his lips moving, his eyes raised uptween the soul and body must be dis- at once he exclaims, with religious fersolved by death, or translation. before vor, "And Jesus said unto him, Thomtake place ere we are permitted to enter not seen, and yet have believed." a habitation, should make up the sum total of an unbeliever's creed and endurances.

The Lord Jesus is the grand durances and substitution, well understood by men of substitutions, and then he says to have in the province of the province pattern of holiness and perfection, and my life, that I feel it is very good for tomb, in all the grandeur, and power of so the strong man, at the meridian of Heaven's King, was He so changed in life, and in the midst of his honors, conscious of his large indebtedness to the appearance that the loving Marys and passes away, true character. If infidelity has fruit, Christian system in which he has lived, devoted disciples knew Him not? They

We shall not only know each other of the future, and see sorrow, and disin Heaven, but most likely, at a glance, appointment, and parting, and anguish, redemption he ignores. He takes the initiative, and keeps Christianity constantly among men. On the Mount of Trans- you: my peace I give unto you; not as on the defensive, yet makes it appear figuration, when the infinite splendor the world give h give I unto you. Let ow's eyes and what orphans' tongues has rather as the aggressor, the oppressor of of the Holy Spirit was poured out upon not your heart be troubled, neither let the human intellect and great foe of pro- Christ: "The fashion of His countenance it be afraid."

never seen, and called them by name.

good bye at death, never to recognize No their loving features again, then indeed the modern apostle of infidelity, its cham- and heart rending in the extreme. Under such circumstances, as far as our Sunday School Edition of the above three, social relationship is concerned, they would be lost! Lost to us forever.

The wise and learned of all ages have believed in the soul's future existence .--The Epicureaus, and Cartesians, the Stoics, and many profound philosophers have taught it. Greater than all this array of outside evidence, our spiritual nature, illumined by the Holy Spirit and the word of God, man's inreligion, not by contradiction, but by com- fallible gnide, tells us be of good cheer, Him through endless ages.

Suppose your parents propose a visit

to their native state, and request you to

accompany them: in the well furnished verlaps natural religion-observe this cabin of a Missouri river packet you are knowledge where there is neither, and it statement thoughtfully—will be found the thrown into the society of a plainly dressed modest little child, near your own age .- You hardly play a half hour until you know her name, where she came from, whither going-and become acexceeds the conjectures of those who quainted with nearly all her past hisjudge of it only by its products and man- tory. The home of all perfections is nfactures. The whole scheme of revela- Heaven, and when we rise and meet the sindeed worthy of him whose name is children of that sanctified place, enjoying as we shall the freest and most un-And what, according to Mr. Buckle, is he conclusion of the whole matter? We restrained intercourse -mingling our have the conclusions of revelation. How joys and praises throughout a never do his conclusions compare with them? ending eternity-is it not reasonable to What is the grand upshot of his system? suppose we will know those "with whom Lame and impotent conclusion! Journey we took sweet counsel, and walked unto ending nowhere! Reject theology, reject the house of God in company?" Angels not only know each other, but are well acquainted with us, and our names. At the quiet hour of midnight, in the chief relation is to him; towards him is classic land of Egypt, the destroying all true progress, even in the knowledge angel passed through, and in selecting love of man. Society is composed of indeath, never made a single mistake source of hope and strength is that de upon that dread and awful night. The rived from promised communion with a angel who appeared to Peter, in the personal God; without which, the princi- gloomy cell of a well guarded prison, oal motives of noble conduct are ignored. knew him, bidding him follow, opened Human brotherhood arises from relation to the iron gate which required twelve common Father, and is the purest and men to throw it back upon its powerful

> A fearful and alarming tempest is from being the mere plaything of an Al- spending its violence upon the Adriatic nighty child? It is responsibility. Aside sea: the great and mighty apostle of the ted power. This is the weight which pre- angel, despite its fary, breasted the to the present constitution of things. God | well acquainted with us, why shall we inalienable. Much light and many val- of the saints, the approbation and love

> Then farewell to the dear ones who have fallen asleep in the arms of Jesus, of mankind in Christendom in the view ous to our memory; farewell for a brief season. We shall soon join the blood-Else will his great expedition, Armada know and commune with you, in our washed multitude, associate with, meet, Father's home, while the cheering, gladdening cycles of a happy eternity are rolling on forever.

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